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#### Field Crops

Durum wheat and barley emergence has occurred on at least 90 and 85 percent of the acreage, respectively. Alfalfa conditions are fair to mostly good. Range and pasture conditions are mostly very poor to fair, depending on location. Very few areas are in fair to good condition.

## **Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops**

Central Arizona growers shipped bok choy, red and green cabbage, cilantro, greens, lemons, parsley, and spinach.

Western Arizona growers shipped anise, arugula, broccoli, cauliflower, celery, cilantro, cabbage, Chinese cabbage, citrus, endive, escarole, frisee, greens, kale, Boston, iceberg, and romaine lettuce, and green leaf, red leaf lettuce, bok choy, parsley, Swiss chard and spinach this week.

**Crop Condition** 

		Crop Condition	/I I					
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent			
			- Percent -					
Alfalfa	-	4	28	56	12			
Range and Pasture	50	28	16	5	1			
		Crop Progres	S					
	This Week	Last We	ek	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.			
	- Percent -							
Durum Wheat								
<ul><li>Emerged</li></ul>	90	85		92	93			
Barley								
<ul><li>Emerged</li></ul>	85	75		95	96			

## **Weather Summary**

Temperatures were mostly above normal across the State for the week ending March 7, ranging from 5 degrees below normal at Aguila to 5 degrees above normal at Grand Canyon. The highest temperature of the week was 78 degrees at Maricopa and the lowest

reading at 11 degrees occurred at Grand Canyon. Precipitation was reported at all but one of the 22 stations this week. Kingman received the lowest at 0.01 inches of precipitation and Aguila received the most at 0.85 inches of precipitation this week.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data											
March 1, 2010 - March 7, 2010											
	Temperature			Precipitation							
					Past	Jan. 1	Departure	Percent			
Station	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Week	to Date	From Normal	of Normal			
Aguila	51	-5	68	29	0.85	6.95	4.05	240			
Buckeye	56	-4	76	38	0.82	5.31	3.75	340			
Canyon De Chelly	41	1	58	23	0.27	3.04	1.57	207			
Coolidge	56	-2	77	36	0.23	4.47	2.50	227			
Douglas	53	3	73	34	0.14	2.66	1.27	191			
Flagstaff	34	0	49	13	0.62	8.01	3.28	169			
Grand Canyon	34	5	49	11	0.34	3.85	-1.34	74			
Kingman	49	0	66	27	0.01	3.08	1.03	150			
Marana	57	-2	77	41	0.33	4.21	1.63	163			
Maricopa	56	-2	78	38	0.21	3.41	1.66	195			
Paloma	57	-4	77	36	0.34	3.44	1.64	191			
Parker	57	-4	76	36	0.56	3.61	1.99	223			
Payson	44	0	61	24	0.06	9.53	5.05	213			
Phoenix	61	1	77	48	0.15	3.79	2.23	243			
Prescott	43	3	60	24	0.39	5.16	1.66	147			
Roll	57	-4	77	34	0.42	3.10	2.46	484			
Safford	55	4	74	39	0.10	3.71	2.24	252			
St. Johns	42	0	66	21	0.03	1.73	0.28	119			
Tucson	58	2	75	42	0.62	4.12	2.34	231			
Willcox	49	2	70	32	0.08	3.93	2.13	218			
Winslow	44	2	66	24	0.04	2.85	1.74	257			
Yuma	63	0	76	46	0.00	2.87	2.23	448			
1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that w eek.											

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